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#### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the **Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment** mailed June 7, 2006, the period for response to which expires on July 7, 2006, the Applicant(s) submit the following amendments and/or responsive remarks. A copy of the original comments and remarks provided with the Response filed June 1, 2006 are represented below:

A telephone interview was held with the examiner Afsar Qureshi (Joel Miller, reg. no. 29,955, on behalf of the applicant) to discuss the rejection based upon the McHale reference under sec. 103. Although no specific agreement was reached, the applicant thanks the examiner for the opportunity to discuss the application. In view of the discussion and in response to the office action, the following are provided:

Responsive to the **OFFICIAL Action** mailed March 16, 2006, Applicant(s) submit the following amendments and/or responsive remarks.

Applicant hereby authorizes the PTO to charge any and all necessary fees due, or provide reimbursements of excessive fees paid, to deposit account No. 19-2179.